(b) The metropolitan cities where more than five hundred deaths were reported in road accidents during the year 1990 are as under:—

Name of the City	No. of persons killed
1. Delhi . . .	1670
2. Bangalore . . .	562
3. Madras . . .	507

DTC bus services from Rohini, Delhi

1699. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Sector 18 of Rohini in Delhi has not so far been connected with DTC bus service thus causing a lot of inconvenience to the residents particularly the school going children; and

(b) if so, the action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) On receipt of demand for provision of bus service to the residents of Rohini Sector 18, a survey was got conducted by DTC which revealed that Rohini Sector 18 is still in a developing stage and the roads are under construction. The road leading to Sector 18 of Rohini from the Outer Ring Road has not been provided with a proper gap in the central verge at Ring Road to facilitate easy right turning of the buses. The bus services of Route Nos. 111 (plus) (—), 126, 153, 883, 891, 986 and 187 with two LTD stop trips for Palika Kendra are available at Outer Ring Road which is at a walkable distance from Sector, 18, Rohini. The provision for bus services to Rohini Sector 18 depend upon the existence of motorable roads, provision of a proper gap by CPWD on the central verge of Outer Ring Road and availability of buses.

Purchase of Ships by Shipping Corporation of India

1700. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Shipping Corporation of India's bid to acquire 15 ships from South Korean giant HYUNDAI has materialised;

(b) if not, when the validity period for acceptance of the said deal expires or any extension has been given by the South Korean firm to S.C.I. in this regard; and

(c) whether Government have since given the clearance to S.C.I. for this deal, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) There is no proposal to buy 15 vessels from Hyundai Shipyard, South Korea.

(c) Does not arise.

Satellite Port at Ennore

1701. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to construct a satellite port at Ennore; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) There is a proposal under consideration to construct a new satellite port at Ennore near Madras at an estimated cost of Rs. 511.03 crores for handling thermal coal for thermal power plants in Tamil Nadu. The proposal envisages construction of two breakwaters, two berth and dredging for accommodating vessels upto 65,000 DWT and